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Programming and Allocations Committee January 13, 2010 Minutes

Chair Kinsey called the meeting to order at approximately 11:37 a.m. Committee members present were: Commissioners Bates, Daly, Dodd, and Glover. Other Commissioners present were: Chu, Giacopini, Lempert, Rubin, Spering, and Worth.

Consent Calendar

The Committee approved the minutes of the December 9, 2009 meeting and received for information the Quarterly Report of Executive Director's Delegated Authority Actions.

<u>Federal</u>

• Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010.

Alix Bockelman, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, provided an overview of the Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010 and discussed potential next steps in the event of Congress passing a jobs bill.

Public Comments:

Andrew Castell, Bay Area Bicycle Coaltion, spoke in support of the future Jobs bill and referenced a letter sent to Commissioners suggesting principles to guide the investment of the new funds.

Carli Paine, TransForm, outlined a letter sent to Commissioners with recommended principles to guide MTC investments should a Jobs bill be enacted.

Robert Raburn, East Bay Bicycle Coalition, supported future Jobs bill funding going toward bicycle projects and cited several examples of bicycle projects that are ready-togo and could use federal funding.

This item was received by the Committee for informational purposes only.

• Report of Bay Area Requests for FTA Urban Circulator and Livability Initiative Program Funding.

Anne Richman, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented an overview of two new discretionary funding opportunities from the Federal Transit Administration and summarized potential regional projects that could compete for the funding.

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State

• 2010 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Program of Projects Adoption. MTC Resolution No. 3938.

Ross McKeown, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, presented a recommendation for the adoption of the 2010 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) for fiscal years 2010-11 through 2014-15, for the San Francisco Bay Area for submission to the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

The Committee referred MTC Resolution No. 3938 to the Commission for approval.

Regional

• Proposed allocation of approximately \$12 million in RM2 Capital funds. MTC Resolution Nos. 3667, Revised, and 3655, Revised.

Shruti Hari, MTC Programming and Allocations Section, requested RM2 Capital fund allocations for approximately \$10.3 million for the BART to Warm Springs Extension project and approximately \$1.5 million for the AC Transit Bus Rapid Transit project environmental work.

Commissioner Tom Bates asked if AC Transit will have sufficient funding to complete the Bus Rapid Transit project to which Steve Heminger responded that it is not likely with the current scope given the recent funding plan revision at AC Transit's request. However, he noted that it is still important to fund the environmental work.

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California Transportation Commission Update

The Committee received, in writing, staff updates on the California Transportation Commission (CTC) meeting held on December 9-10, in Sacramento. Alix Bockelman also advised that the CTC is scheduled to approve approximately \$171 million in Proposition 1B funding to new projects at the CTC meeting being held in Sacramento today. Commissioner Kinsey requested that staff bring an update on the Governor's proposed FY 2011 State budget to the full Commission on January 27.

Commissioner Kinsey adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:57 a.m.